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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Maria Cândida de Carvalho Ferreira

Appln. No.: 09/899,282

Group Art Unit: 2121

Confirmation No.: 3918

Examiner: Wilbert L Starks

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For:

LINEAR AND NON-LINEAR GENETIC ALGORITHMS FOR SOLVING PROBLEMS SUCH

AS OPTIMIZATION, FUNCTION FINDING, PLANNING AND LOGIC SYNTHESIS

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

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Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

(Small Entity fees apply):

	After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For						
All Claims	22	- 20	=	2	X	\$9.00	= :	\$18.00
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A check for the statutory fee of \$18.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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